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25X1	Talked to Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel,	
	Senate Armed Services Committee, who said he would like a copy of	
	the material we had provided some weeks ago to Jim Kendall, of the Committee staff, regarding the legal basis for the Director's	
	coordinating authority, etc. I told him briefly of the situation in Laos.	
	He recalled that Chairman Stennis would want a briefing by the	
	Director soon after Congress reconvenes, possibly the last week in	
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## 8. Staff Briefings on Laos

Our Subcommittee staffs (Woodruff, Braswell, Preston and Slatinshek) have been kept up-to-date on developments in Laos and have assumed responsibility for keeping their principals informed as appropriate during the holidays. In addition, I personally briefed Representative Nedzi, the only Committee member available, on the situation on 19 December.